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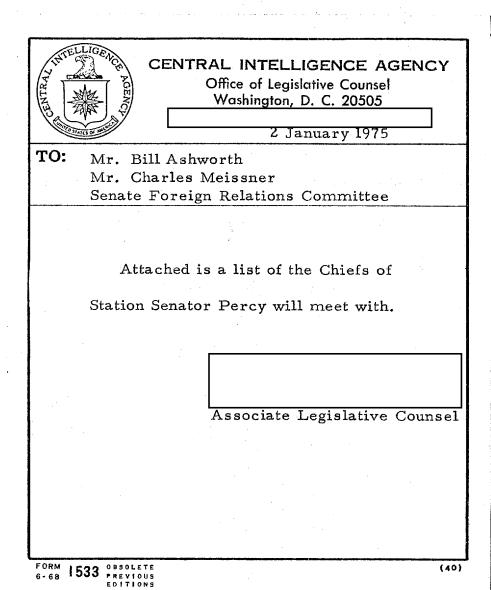
Spoke with Scott Cohen, in the office of Senator Charles Percy, concerning the letter the Director received from Robert Keller, Deputy Comptroller General, GAO, requesting a statement of our position on the "restraints imposed by CIA's congressional oversight committees" governing the reporting of information related to CIA budgetary, organizational and personnel matters. I told Cohen we have no problem in providing Senator Percy with any information he desires, either directly or through our Chairmen, but we could not provide this to GAO. Cohen said he was sure the Senator was not having GAO put pressure on us for this information but GAO was working in accordance with the mandate Percy put on them to get this type of information from all Government agencies. Cohen said frankly he never expected a response from CIA. He said we could talk to Percy but he will be out of the country until 25 January. The man handling this for the Senator is Robert Vastine, Minority Counsel, Committee on Government Operations, and Cohen will ask him to be in touch with me. He said maybe Vastine could call GAO off. Cohen asked if I would send him a copy of the letter from Keller, which I agreed to do.

Cohen said the recent press stories alleging CIA involvement in domestic activities make things difficult for those on the Hill who usually put in a good word for the Agency. (See Memorandum for the Record)

9. General Furlong, Legislative Affairs, ADOD, called to say he had a query from the office of Representative Robin L.	ℲR
Beard (R., Tenn.) concerning a CIA applicant named They	
said applied about six months ago for a job as a photo interpretar or	
analyst and they want to know what is happening. D/Pers is checking.	
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	Senator Charles H. Percy (R., III.), and Messrs Ashworth and Main
	Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, I provided Ashworth's secretary with the names and locations of certain Agency personnel they hope to visit
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